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SUBJ: BDG INTEREST IN EXPORTING PRIMATES

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1. ECON COUNSELOR PASSED SUBSTANCE REFTEL B TO BDG FORESTS SECRETARY JULY 16. SECRETARY EXPRESSED GRATITUDE THAT PROPOSAL (CONVEYED REFTEL A) UNDER SERIOUS CONSIDERATION AT NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF HEALTH, BUT URGED THAT NIH OFFICIAL OR TEAM ARRIVE IN BANGLADESH BY EARLY AUGUST TO CONCLUDE ARRANGEMENT.

2. THE EXPORT OF RHESUS MONKEYS IS PERMITTED BY THE EXPORT POLICY,

ANNOUNCED JULY 1 REFTEL C), ALTHOUGH ONLY ON A CASE-BY-CASE BASIS. HOWEVER, THIS OPPORTUNITY FOR PRIVATE EXPORTERS COULD GIVE BDG POLICY A QTE DIFFERENT SHAPE UNQTE IN NEAR FUTURE, FOREST SECRETARY SAID, AND OPPORTUNITY TO FOLLOW PROGRAM WITH NIH ALONG LINES REFTEL A COULD BE JEOPARDIZED, IF NOT LOST ALTOGETHER.

3. COMMENT. THIS MISSION HAS NO SPECIAL KNOWLEDGE OR EXPERIENCE ON WHICH TO JUDGE THE VALUE TO US RESEARCHERS OF THE OPPORTUNITY OFFERED TO IMPORT MONKEYS, BUT THE FORESTS SECRETARY HAS REPEATEDLY PROVED AN EXTREMELY RELIABLE CONTACT AND WE ACCEPT HIS VIEW THAT AN EARLY RESPONSE IS ESSENTIAL TO THE SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION OF AN AGREEMENT.

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